(e) Noi applicable in view of reply at (c) above.

Sharing of Telecom Technology

5387. SHRI AHMED MOHMEDBHAI PATEL :
SHRI SURESH PACHOURI :

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state ;

(a) whether India has urged developing industrial nations to share telecommunications technologies with the developing world for mutual benefit;

(b) whether India has also offered to share with other nations the tecnologies developed by it, specially for small and medium switching;

(c) whether he has made a point at the World Telecom Development Conference;

(d) if so, what were the decisions arrived at;

(e) whether it is a fact that a number of agreements have been reached to share telecom technology by India and other countries; and

(f) the countries with whom the sharing of telecom technology has been signed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) to (d) Yes Sir, in the World Telecom Development Conference held in Argentina during 21st to 29th March, 1994, India urged advanced countries to share their technologies with others. India's willingness to share technology developed by India with other countries was also emphasized. India's view on technology transfer by developed countries to developing countries has widely appreciated and the same was entrusted to a committee for suggesting ways and means of transfering the technology quickly and on affordable terms.

(e) and (f) No agreements for sharing of Telecom Technology have been reached at the Conference. However, separately, agreement for sharing of Telecom Technology have been reached with Vietnam. Memorandum of Understanding has also been signed with Russia, Nigeria and Pakistan for setting up joint ventures for manufacture of equipment.

Expenditure on Advertisements

5388. SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL ALIAS MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount spent by Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Delhi on advertisements during the year 1993-94; and

(b) what is the total amount paid to different newspapers, language-wise during the said period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) An amount of Rs. 87,04,451/- has been spent by MTNL, Delhi on advertisements during the year 1993-94 including the Bills for Rs. 1,91,404/-which are still awaited from the advertising agencies.

(b) The details of amount paid to different newspapers language-wise during 1993-94 is given below :

English Newspapers	Hindi Newspapers	Souvenirs English
Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
61,36,310/-	23,70,237/-	6,500/-
1,26,236/-	65,168/-	—
62,62,546/-	24,35,405/	6,500/-

टेलीफोन सलाहकार समिति, इलाहाबाद

5389. **श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय** : क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) इलाहाबाद में टेलीफोन सलाहकार समिति का गठन किस तारीख को किया गया था और इसका कार्यकाल कब तक का है, और

(ख) इस समिति के वर्तमान सदस्यों के नाम और पते क्या-क्या है ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री श्री सुखराम : (क) इलाहाबाद टेलीफ़ोन परामर्शदात्री समिति का अंतिम गठन दिनांक 2-2-92 को दो वर्षों की अवधि अर्थात 28-2-94 तक के लिए किया गया था।

(ख) प्रश्न ही नहीं उठता क्योंकि पिछली गठित टी० ए० सी०, का कार्यकाल 28-2-94 को समाप्त हो चुका है और अगली टी० ए० सी० का अभी गठन नहीं हुआ है।

Telex Services in Calcutta

5390. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state ;

(a) whether it is a fact the most of the telex connections provided by the Area Manager (South), Calcutta Telephones, to various service oriented units including nationalised banks, have not been working properly;

(b) whether the subscribers have been making complaints but all in vain;

(c) whether Government direct the authorities to take suitable measures for restoration and proper services of telex, without any further delay; and

(d) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) No Sir. Only those connections which are out of order due to cable faults are taking more time for restoration.

(b) Action is being taken for rectification of faults, on receipt of complaints.

(c) and (d) Yes, Sir. Telex faults are daily monitored by officers in Calcutta Telephones. Any long duration fault comes to their notice and the cases are purused to rectify such faults early.

Delay in Sanction of Family Pension of Orissa

5391. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM : Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state ;

(a) whether a large number of family pension cases of the widows of Central Government employees have been pending for decisions in the office of Chief Postmaster General, Orissa for long;

(b) whether Government direct the authorities to expedite the process of sanction in order to ensure that rules relating to liberalised pension are properly followed and the receipients get the same within the span of their life time; and

(c) if so, details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

कुवैती व्यापार-प्रतिनिधि मंडल की यात्रा

5392 श्री सत्य प्रकाश मालवीय :
श्री अमर सिंह जायसवाल :

क्या संचार मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि हाल ही में कुवैती व्यापार प्रतिनिधि मंडल ने भारत की यात्रा की थी और भारत के साथ संचार के क्षेत्र में सहयोग करने हेतु कोई बातचीत की है या प्रस्ताव रखा है,

(ख) यदि हां, तो कुवैत द्वारा प्रस्तुत किए गए प्रस्ताव सहित दोनों देशों के प्रतिनिधियों के बीच हुई बातचीत का ब्यौरा क्या है,

(ग) क्या सरकार ने दोनों देशों के बीच निर्दिष्ट मुद्दों पर हुई बातचीत के आधार पर कोई निर्णय लिया है, यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है, और

(घ) यदि नहीं तो कब तक और क्या निर्णय लिए जाने की संभावना है ?

संचार मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री श्री सुखराम : (क) और (ख) जी हां। हाल में कुवैत से एक व्यापारिक शिष्टमंडल ने भारत का दौरा किया। शिष्टमंडल ने कोई औपचारिक प्रस्ताव नहीं दिया, किन्तु उन्होंने दूरसंचार विभाग के अधिकारियों के साथ सहयोग के मुद्दों पर सामान्य चर्चा की थी।

(ग) और (घ) चर्चा सामान्य प्रकृति की थी और इसमें कोई निर्णय नहीं लिये गये।